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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7971

BILL NUMBER: HB 1881

DATE PREPARED: Mar 12, 1999

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Vital Records Enhancement Fund.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill establishes the Vital Records Enhancement Fund. The bill requires the State Department of Health (SDOH) to deposit \$2 of each vital records search fee into the Fund. It provides that the Fund may accept gifts and donations.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: This bill creates the Vital Records Enhancement Fund to fund enhanced automation of vital records storage, retrieval, and retention systems and to improve electronic access to vital records. The bill requires the SDOH to deposit \$2 of the \$4 vital record search fee into the Fund. The SDOH estimates there are approximately 27,000 vital records searches per year. Therefore, the SDOH will need to deposit approximately \$54,000 in the Vital Records Enhancement Fund. Currently these fees are deposited in the state General Fund. The bill states that money in the Fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state General Fund.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Norma Selby, SDOH. 233-7673.